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ABSTRACT

The resource guide identifies products which assist hearing impaired individuals in accessing IBM (International Business Machine) Personal Computers or the IBM PS/2 family of products. An introduction provides a general overview of ways computers can help hearing impaired persons. The document then provides descriptions of about 20 adaptive aids and related products followed by more detailed descriptions of IBM PC Augmented Phone Services and the IBM Personal System/2 Speech Viewer. Product information includes the manufacturer and a description. The next section lists approximately 235 agencies and associations which provide such services as acting as an information clearing house, legislative monitoring, peer counseling, and sponsoring conferences, workshops and seminars. Agencies are listed alphabetically by state. Also listed by state are about 115 additional resources providing such services as special education and rehabilitation. An index is provided for products, support groups and vendors. (DB)

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How to Use This Guide

This guide presents information about some of the technology and services that are available to aid persons with disabilities. Much of the information deals with devices that can be attached to IBM computers to allow a disabled individual to lead a more independent and productive life.

The guide is organized as follows:

Introduction

This section provides a general overview of the ways computers can help persons with disabilities.

Technology

Products are arranged alphabetically within their respective categories. The product information includes the manufacturer and a brief description of the product. Refer to the index to locate a product or company by name. Please contact the companies directly for additional product information and prices.

Support Groups

Agencies and associations and additional resources available to persons with disabilities are listed in this section. The entries are arranged alphabetically by city within state. Refer to the index to locate a particular group by name. Please contact the organizations directly for specific details.

Index - The index contains three parts:

- P - Products: alphabetic list by product name.
- S - Support Groups: alphabetic list by organization name.
- V - Vendors: alphabetic list by company name.

Introduction

Hearing impairment is known as the "hidden" disability. Outward appearances rarely suggest that an individual cannot hear. Some 16 million Americans live with this disability, which can range from slightly hard of hearing to profoundly deaf.

The degree of hearing loss and the age at which the loss occurred may affect the individual's academic path and choice of career. Deafness itself does not affect a person's intellectual capacity or ability to learn. Yet, deaf children generally require some form of special schooling in order to gain an adequate education.

There are four types of hearing loss that present different problems and different remedial possibilities.

Conductive hearing losses are caused by outer or middle ear diseases or obstructions that affect the sound pathways to the inner ear. Hearing aids can usually help a person with a conductive hearing loss.

Sensorineural hearing losses result from damage to the delicate sensory hair cells of the inner ear or to the nerve that supplies the inner ear. This type of hearing loss can range from mild to profound and can affect certain frequencies more than other types of hearing loss. Thus, amplification may not be successful as a compensation.

Mixed hearing losses are caused by problems both in the outer or middle ear and the inner ear.

Central hearing loss results from damage or impairment to the nerves of the central nervous system, either in pathways to the brain or in the brain itself.

HOW COMPUTERS HELP THOSE WITH HEARING IMPAIRMENTS

Many situations in the home that place a dependency on hearing can be accommodated through signaling devices that substitute for sound, for example, a flashing light or a vibration. In the job environment, hearing impairment requires special considerations in communication with people. However, interaction with a device such as a personal computer presents no essential difficulty.

In the United States, deaf persons work in almost all occupational fields and use a variety of means to communicate. They may choose speaking, speechreading, writing or manual communication such as hand signs or fingerspelling. Because operating a computer does not require verbal communication, a person with a hearing impairment may fulfill requirements for many jobs that involve the use of computers - for example, computer programming and jobs in design or planning functions.

Computers provide two-way communication, in home or job environments, between hearing-impaired individuals and anyone with a Touch-Tone telephone; they can also provide for other means of communication through telecommunications - for example, electronic bulletin boards, local area networks and main frame communications systems.

In the area of education, computers may serve as a teaching tool to increase a person's skills or in basic education for replacing verbal classroom teaching of subjects such as reading, writing and mathematics.

Technology

Adaptive Aids/Products

This category includes hearing-related products that are of interest to the hearing impaired and deaf community. It contains information about available software products that teach sign language, products that allow communication over telephone lines, educational software for enhancing academic skills and other products that utilize an IBM PC or Personal System/2.

PRODUCT: ABLE-2 Product Family
VENDOR: Automated Business & Services Inc.
6715 Kenilworth Ave.
Riverdale, MD 20737-9960
(301) 454-8200

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: The ABLE-2 product family provides a wide spectrum of support to computer users with special needs. ABLE-2 is a systematic program in four parts: needs assessment, workstation family, focused training, life cycle support. Needs assessment focuses on vision-impaired/blind, hearing-impaired/deaf and neuromuscular-impairment or para/quadriplegic. Computer users with visual impairment are provided with optical character readers, voice synthesis, screen readers, tactile output displays and Braille output devices. The workstation family may be configured with voice input module, mouse, foot pedal, joystick and headpointer.

PRODUCT: Canon Communicator M
VENDOR: Canon U.S.A. Inc.
One Canon Plaza
Lake Success, NY 11042-9979
(516) 488-6700

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: The Canon Communicator M is a portable communication aid that offers 190 keyboard functions and printed tape output. The A, B, C, D and E keys may be used to store words or phrases of up to 19 characters each. Messages or phrases stored may be changed at any time by the user. The Canon Communicator M may be used as an alternate input to a computer with a serial interface. Output from the Canon Communicator M is to a thermal dot printer. Input is made via direct selection. Keyguards, wheelchair mounting, raincover, arm belts and other accessories are available for the Canon Communicator M.

PRODUCT: CM-4 Intelligent Modem & TDDA Software
VENDOR: Phone-TTY Inc.
202 Lexington Ave.
Hackensack, NJ 07601
(201) 489-7889 TDD201 489-7890

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: This software allows the IBM PC to operate selectively as a "Telephone Device for the Deaf" (TDD) for the user's access to TDDs, TTYs, Deafnet, Telenet, CompuServe, MCI and other networks, allows for message composition online, information storage and can be used with a printer, ASCII and Baudot, modem and TDD emulator software. TDDA software allows multitasking to be used, i.e., other application software can be run, with the use of appropriate multitasking executive software, while PC/TDDA is active.

PRODUCT: Communication Products for Hearing Impaired Persons
VENDOR: AT & T National Special Needs Center
2001 US Rt. 46 - Suite 310
Parsippany, NJ 07054
(800) 233-1222

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Various communication products for the hearing-impaired, particularly those that relate to the use of telephone service. AT&T offers a line of Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDD).

PRODUCT: Computer Assisted Relay System (CARS)
VENDOR: Phone-TTY Inc.
202 Lexington Ave.
Hackensack, NJ 07601
(201) 489-7889 TDD201 489-7890

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: CARS consists of hardware and software used to relay calls between hearing and non-hearing or non-speaking callers. It consists of a switch box, circuit switches and headset.

PRODUCT: End-O-Line-Lite
VENDOR: Typewriting Institute for the Handicapped
3120 W. Augusta Avenue
Phoenix, AZ 85021
(602) 939-5344

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: This product was designed for the hearing-impaired typist using a typewriter who finds it difficult to hear the bell indicating the end of the typing line. As the end of the line approaches, a light comes on at the same time as the typewriter bell and stays activated for 6 seconds. End-O-Line-Lite automatically adjusts to the right-hand margin setting.

PRODUCT: IBM PC Augmented Phone Services
VENDOR: IBM Corporation
Contact local IBM Authorized PC Dealer
(800) 426-2468

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Hearing- or speech-impaired persons can use an IBM PC to place or receive calls, and the other party needs only a touch-tone telephone. Spoken messages can be sent over phone lines by typing at the keyboard. The computer translates the text into speech audible to the other party. Using a touch-tone telephone keypad, that party types out messages for view on the display screen. It requires an IBM PC Voice Communication Option board in the IBM PC XT or AT with the Augmented Phone Services software program. For more details, see the Table of Contents.

PRODUCT: IBM Personal System/2 SpeechViewer
VENDOR: IBM Nat'l Support Center for Persons w/ Disabilities
P. O. Box 2150
Atlanta, GA 30055
(800) 426-2133 (404) 238-4806

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: The IBM PS/2 SpeechViewer is a professional clinical tool that addresses a key element in speech therapy: the feedback process. Bold animated displays and audio playback refine and simplify the process by focusing on the speech signal and by making feedback information clear and meaningful. For more information, see reference to this product in the Table of Contents or contact the IBM National Support Center for Persons with Disabilities.

PRODUCT: Lifestyle Personal Communicator
VENDOR: Garid Inc.
10180 Viking Dr.
Eden Prairie, MN 55344
(612) 941-5464

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: The Lifestyle Personal Communicator, a two-way communication device for people with speech impairments, incorporates a voice synthesizer, connects to telephones to communicate with computers, TDDs/TTYs and has a changeable 253 message memory. Pocket size and weighing 18 ounces, the voice synthesizer speaks to listening people over the phone or in person, has a 1700 word vocabulary, can pre-record messages and has the capability for voice synthesis when words are spelled out. It records messages from computers, TDDs and TTYs; indicates busy signal, ringing or response; and dials phone numbers from memory. It signals incoming calls by alarm, vibrator or flashing light. The word processing function allows many words and phrases to be typed with one keystroke and saves messages in memory for transmission later. The device has clock, calendar and calculator functions. It has a 40 character liquid crystal display with .33 inch character height.

PRODUCT: Micro-Interpreter I (Fingerspeller)
VENDOR: Microtech Consulting Company
909 West 23rd Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(800) 383-SIGN

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Micro-Interpreter I (Fingerspeller) is a program for teaching and drilling American Sign Language (ASL) fingerspelling. The program displays a line graphic of a hand posed as a particular ASL letter. Words are entered (up to 30 characters long) and then spelled back at variable speeds. Signs and series of signs can appear captioned or uncaptioned. The user may test his or her own comprehension of fingerspelling. A graphics adapter is required to run Micro-Interpreter I.

PRODUCT: Micro-Interpreter II
VENDOR: Microtech Consulting Company
909 West 23rd Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(800) 383-SIGN

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Micro-Interpreter II (CAV-ASL) Computerized Animated Vocabulary of the American Sign Language is an extensively animated package containing over 2,600 signed words developed from actual photographs of a human signer. Visuals have been specifically developed for educational settings or individual learning. Function keys are used to control speed of animation, freeze motion, repeat signs, advance to the next sign or reverse to the previous sign, turn an English caption and/or voice output on or off, all of which are accomplished with the press of a button. This product is menu-driven.

PRODUCT: Micro-Interpreter III
VENDOR: Microtech Consulting Company
909 West 23rd Street
Cedar Falls, IA 50613
(800) 383-SIGN

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Micro-Interpreter III introduces American Sign Language as an entertaining activity and important means of communication. Over 1500 easy to learn signs specifically selected for children. It is menu driven, and function keys control speed of animation, freeze and repeat motion.

PRODUCT: PC-Fingers
VENDOR: Midwest Health Programs Inc.
P.O. Box 3023
Urbana, IL 61801
(217) 367-5293

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: PC-Fingers is a program for teaching and drilling American Sign Language (ASL) fingerspelling. Each American Manual Alphabet character appears on the screen as a line graphic of a hand posed for that letter. Various levels of instructional difficulty are available with the program and the advanced level (which displays whole words and phrases) can be run at speeds from 1.3 to 11.8 signs per second. An IBM color graphics adapter card and a color monitor are required to use PC-Fingers.

PRODUCT: Products to Assist Hearing Impaired Persons
VENDOR: Radio Shack Division of Tandy Corporation
300 One Tandy Center
Fort Worth, TX 76102
(817) 390-3401

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Catalog of selected products for persons with special needs. Most of these products do not relate to the use of a computer.

PRODUCT: Products to Assist Hearing Impaired Persons
VENDOR: Potomac Technology Inc.
1010 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852
(301) 762-4005 762-0851 TDD

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Full line of Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDDs) and accessories. Other products include: signalling systems for doorbell, telephone, baby crying, etc., clock-timers, bed vibrators, strobe alarm detectors and television decoders.

PRODUCT: Telebraille
VENDOR: Telesensory Systems Inc. (TSI)
455 North Bernardo Ave.
P.O. Box 7455
Mountain View, CA 94039-7455
(800) 227-8418 (415) 960-0920

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Real-time portable communication aid for deaf-blind users. Facilitates face-to-face or phone communication between two deaf-blind people.

PRODUCT: Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf
VENDOR: American Communication Corporation
1040 Roberts St.
East Hartford, CT 06108
(203) 289-3491

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Offer a variety of Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDDs).

PRODUCT: Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf
VENDOR: Ultratec Inc.
6442 Normandy Lane
Madison, WI 53719
(608) 273-0707

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: In addition to a variety of Telecommunication Devices for the Deaf (TDDs), Ultratec also manufactures signaling devices, large visual TDD displays and TDD emergency devices.

PRODUCT: Visual Alerting Systems & TDDs for Hearing Impaired
VENDOR: Nationwide Flashing Signal Systems Inc.
8120 Fenton St. - Suite 200
Silver Spring, MD 20910
301/589-6670TDD (301) 589-6671

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION: Catalog of selected products for persons with hearing disabilities. Visual alerting devices, TDDs, closed caption decoders and service repair on the premises.

IBM PC Augmented Phone Services

IBM PC AUGMENTED PHONE SERVICES

PURPOSE

Augmented Phone Services is an application program that allows IBM PC users with hearing and/or speech impairments to access a phone system. Using the Voice Communications adapter, Augmented Phone Services users may communicate with hearing persons who are using touch-tone phone keypads.

HIGHLIGHTS

- Generation of synthetic speech over phone lines from keyboard input
- Detection and translation of received touch-tone signals into text messages that are displayed on the IBM PC monitor
- Automatic answering and storing of received text messages
- Storing of announcement, emergency and other prepared messages for later playback during phone calls
- Create, store, update and delete records in a phone directory
- Dial from phone directory entries, keyboard or telephone
- Last number re-dialing
- Saving copies of conversations on diskette/disk
- Printing copies of conversations
- Word list personalization for commonly used acronyms, abbreviations, proper names, etc., for caller convenience
- Multiple Augmented Phone Services users on a single IBM PC
- Flexible word list with a base of 8,500 words

DESCRIPTION

With Augmented Phone Services, a user communicates with a caller by speaking on the telephone or by keying words at the IBM PC keyboard. These keyed words are translated into synthetic speech and sent over the phone line to the caller. The caller communicates with the Augmented Phone Services user by speaking on the telephone or by keying words on the touch-tone keypad. Since a telephone key can represent 1 numeric character or 3 alphabetic characters (Example: "2" can be "A," "B" or "C"), Augmented Phone Services uses an 8,500-word list to determine the word or alternative words keyed. Augmented Phone Services displays both halves of this "keyed" conversation in text-form on the IBM PC monitor and stores the "conversation" at user option. Users may add any words or names to the word list.

An answering machine function is provided to receive and store incoming messages keyed from touch-tone telephones.

CUSTOMER RESPONSIBILITIES

The customer is responsible for program setup and operation, implementation of backup procedures and applicable problem determination procedures.

SPECIFIED OPERATING ENVIRONMENT

HARDWARE AND SOFTWARE REQUIREMENTS

- IBM Personal Computer, IBM Personal Computer XT or IBM Personal Computer AT with a minimum storage of 448KB and one dual-sided 360KB 5 1/4" diskette drive
- IBM Color Display with the IBM Color/Graphics Display Adapter or the IBM Monochrome Display with the IBM Monochrome Display and Printer Adapter (the IBM Enhanced Graphics Adapter and IBM Enhanced Color Display are supported with enhanced text mode)
- The IBM PC Voice Communications Option (6294771) with appropriate telephone connections
- IBM Personal Computer Disk Operating System (DOS) Version 2.1 or higher

PACKAGING

- IBM PC Augmented Phone Services is distributed with a User's Guide, Quick Reference Guide, Telephone User's Quick Reference Card and two dual-sided diskettes: for the program and for data

CONFIGURATION REQUIREMENTS

The following hardware/software requirements are needed for the Voice Communications Option:

- Voice Communications Option, part number 6294771
- Voice/Phone Assistant, part number 6280741
- Personal Telephone Manager Program, part number 1642004
- Augmented Phone Services, part number 6280740
- Voice-Activated Keyboard Utility, part number 6280742
- Voice Communications Adapter, part number 768439
- Voice Communications Operating Subsystems, part number 6280708
- Voice Communications Application Program Interface, part number 6280743

For additional information, contact your IBM marketing representative, your Authorized IBM PC Dealer or the IBM National Support Center for Persons with Disabilities.

(800) 426-2133 (Continental USA Voice/TDD)

(404) 238-4806 (TDD)

IBM Personal System/2 SpeechViewer

FOLLOWING 10 YEARS OF RESEARCH, IBM PRESENTS SPEECHVIEWER

The IBM Personal System/2 SpeechViewer is a clinical tool that addresses a key element in speech therapy: the feedback process. Bold animated displays and audio playback refine and simplify the process by focusing on the speech signal and by making feedback information clear and meaningful.

This clinical tool is based on 10 years of research at the IBM France Scientific Center and the help of teachers and clinicians who have used prototypes in 29 countries on 6 continents.

A group of 12 clinical modules is designed to complement your most successful therapy methods. The diversity of modules makes SpeechViewer appropriate for all age ranges and for many speech disorders. It will help you present well-defined speech stimuli, help your clients makes progress with each response and provide your clients with motivational feedback that holds their interest.

SpeechViewer helps develop basic **awareness** of selected dimensions of speech, such as pitch, loudness, timing and the presence or absence of voice. It provides **skill-building** exercises for speech functions, such as pitch, timing and phoneme production, outside of the context of language. Speech **patterning** modules help your clients refine articulation and prosody with analytical displays.

IBM Personal System/2 SpeechViewer is an exciting clinical tool that lets your clients view their speech in a new light.

SPEECH THERAPY TAKES ON A NEW FACE

SpeechViewer's awareness modules attract attention and introduce basic concepts to alert clients to acoustic components of speech. Each module lets your clients play with speech by controlling colorful displays that focus on one or two dimensions of sound. Clients respond quickly to real-time interaction between speech sounds and computer displays.

A PICTURE IS WORTH A 1000 PHONEMES

SpeechViewer's **SKILL BUILDING** modules motivate clients with pictorial displays and game-like strategies using interactive feedback. These modules give practice in manipulating basic acoustic components of speech in an environment free from language. The clinician sets task levels and performance criteria to match client capabilities. Auditory and visual displays reinforce successful performance. One module gives immediate feedback for building skill in pitch control, another in the timing of voicing. A third module helps develop vowel accuracy, a fourth exercises the perceptual and motor skills required to contrast vowel productions.

SEE WHAT YOU'RE SAYING

The **Patterning** displays make the advantages of analytical laboratory equipment available in an easy-to-use clinical tool. These modules complement the **Skill Building** modules with technical feedback. Two of the modules allow you to collect and replay running speech. Then you can examine all, or part, of the speech sample in detail. You can save speech samples for tracking client's progress or for creating module stimuli for future use. Optional display settings let you look at pitch patterns, loudness patterns or at the

oscilloscopic tracing of the waveform. These modules also present statistical data on pitch and loudness. The third module lets your clients use speech spectra to experiment with the best method of producing speech sounds.

SPEECHVIEWER AT A GLANCE

SpeechViewer offers a Convenience Kit* which contains the following items:

Hardware Option

SpeechViewer adapter and diagnostics
audio-technica(R) microphone and cable
audio-technica(R) speaker and cable
SpeechViewer Hardware Installation instructions

Application Software Option

SpeechViewer Application Software User's Guide
SpeechViewer Application Software Quick Reference
2-3.5" diskettes containing Application Software

SpeechViewer:

Operates on all IBM Personal System/2 Model 25, 30 and 30-286s
(for optimum performance a configuration with a fixed disk and a color display is recommended)

Runs on IBM DOS 4.00
Requires a minimum storage of 512KB
Provides a one-year limited warranty on IBM hardware
(Limited warranty on microphone and speaker provided by Audio-Technica U.S., Inc.)

To Order the IBM Personal System/2 SpeechViewer Convenience Kit, part number 6450610, call IBM at:

1-800-426-2468
(Continental USA)

1-800-465-1234
(Canada)

*The hardware and application software options may be obtained separately.

Support Groups

Agencies and Associations

The support groups listed include agencies and professional associations. The information and services provided by these organizations vary widely from distribution of basic fact sheets to sponsorship of research facilities. Most of these organizations use numerous approaches to disseminate information and direct activities toward a diverse audience. Examples of some activities and services provided by these groups include information clearing house; legislative monitoring; peer counseling; sponsorship of conferences, workshops and seminars. Please read the descriptions and contact the groups directly for specific details. (Groups are sorted alphabetically by city within each state.)

State AK

Governor's Council for the Handicapped and Gifted
600 University Ave. - Suite C
Fairbanks, AK 99701
(907) 474-2440

State AK

Alaska Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
Pouch F MS 0581
State Office Building
Juneau, AK 99811
(907) 465-2814

This center offers counseling, social work, pre-vocational training, placement and computer access.

State AL

Easter Seals Occupational Rehabilitation Center
1616 Sixth Ave. South
Birmingham, AL 35233
(205) 939-5800

This Center helps provide counseling, vocational evaluation and employability development services to disabled individuals which will maximize independent living skills and assist in rehabilitation services.

State AL

UCPA of Birmingham
2430 11th Avenue North
Birmingham, AL 35234
(205) 251-0165

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They will demonstrate the IBM Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State AL

Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center of Central Alabama
2125 East South Blvd.
Montgomery, AL 36199
(205) 288-0240

This center helps with counseling, education, employee evaluation, skill development training, health, professional training and rehabilitation.

State AL

Alabama Division Rehabilitation & Crippled
2129 East South Blvd.
Montgomery, AL 36111
(205) 281-8780

This division helps people with rehabilitation, education, counseling, computers, health employee counseling and professional training.

State AL

Alabama Institute for Blind and Deaf
P.O. Box 698
Talladega, AL 35160
(205) 761-3200

This group provides services related to education, reading, rehabilitation, health and residential professional training. The institute works with those people who have vision and hearing disabilities.

State AR

American Deafness & Rehabilitation Association
P.O. Box 55369
Little Rock, AR 72225
(501) 663-4617

This membership organization and network promotes, develops and expands services, research and legislation for deaf persons. Publication: JADARA: Journal of American Deafness and Rehabilitation Assocation.

State AR

Rehabilitation Services Division
Department of Human Services
1401 Brookwood Drive, P.O. Box 3781
Little Rock, AR 72203
(501) 371-2571

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State AR

Arkansas Easter Seal Society
2801 Lee Avenue
P.O. Box 5148
Little Rock, AR 72225
(501) 663-8331

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State AZ

Rehabilitation Services Bureau
Department of Economic Security
1300 West Washington
Phoenix, AZ 85007
(602) 542-3332

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State CA

World Institute on Disability
1720 Oregon St.
Berkeley, CA 94703
(415) 486-8314 Voice/TDD

The World Institute on Disability is a public policy center run by persons with disabilities. Its goal is to use research, public education, training and model program development as means to create a more accessible and supportive society for all people - disabled and nondisabled alike.

State CA

UCPA of San Diego County (North)
750 N. Citracado Parkway - Suite D
Escondido, CA 92025
(619) 743-1050

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, demoing and on-going support.

State CA

John Tracy Clinic
806 West Adams Boulevard
Los Angeles, CA 90007
(213) 748-5481 (213) 747-2924

This clinic provides free services to preschool deaf and deaf-blind children and their families through on-site services and worldwide correspondence courses.

State CA

House Ear Institute
256 South Lake
Los Angeles, CA 90057
(213) 483-4431 (213) 484-2642

A non-profit organization which conducts research and provides information on hearing and balance disorders. Its Center for Deaf Children does evaluation and therapy. Publication: OTO Review.

State CA

Deafnet-West Coast
333 Ravenswood Avenue
Menlo Park, CA 94025
(415) 859-2236

This group provides electronic bulletin board information, deaf education and career opportunities.

State CA

Sensory Aids Foundation
399 Sherman Avenue - Suite 12
Palo Alto, CA 94306
(415) 329-0430

This organization provides training, placement and counseling for visually or hearing impaired persons. They provide 3-month equipment loans and publish a bi-monthly technical magazine for blind computer users and maintain a center for hands-on training on a variety of computer access devices.

State CA

Vocational and Occupational Inform. Cntr for Educators
560 J St. - Suite 385
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 445-0401

VOICE assists California vocational education teachers, administrators and students by providing materials, textbooks, curriculum guides and reports of studies. They offer a computerized catalog.

State CA

Governor's Committee-Employment of Disabled Persons
800 Capitol Mall - room 4036
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 323-2545

The committee works with community employers throughout California to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State CA

California Department of Rehabilitation
830 K Street Mall
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 323-0318

This state agency helps persons with disabilities enter or return to work and live more independently - for persons with physical or mental disabilities who have a reasonable expectation of holding a job after receiving rehabilitation services tailored to their needs.

State CA

Clearinghouse Depository for Handicapped Students
P.O. Box 944272
Sacramento, CA 94244-2720
(916) 445-1290

This group provides specialized instructional material, aids and equipment to students from preschool through college. It records and duplicates textbooks for the visually impaired and provides consultant services to schools serving the visually impaired. It provides people who transcribe into Braille.

State CA

Helen Keller National Center - Southwestern Region
870 Market St. - Suite 853
San Francisco, CA 94102
(415) 956-4562

The Helen Keller Center offers consulting, advocacy, information and referral as well as professional development and client follow-up services in the region (covering California, Hawaii, Nevada, Arizona, Guam and Samoa).

State CA

DPI (Disabled Programmers Inc.)
6840 Via Del Oro
San Jose, CA 95119
(408) 629-3700 Same for TTY

This educational facility provides comprehensive computer programmer training and custom tailored corporate training seminars and workshops. It also offers a full range of programming services from word processing to program design to equipment selection and installation.

State CA

Easter Seal of Santa Cruz & Monterey Counties
621-A Water Street
P. O. Box 626
Santa Cruz, CA 95061
(408) 427-3360

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State CA

Direct Link for the Disabled
P.O. Box 1036
Solvang, CA 93463
(805) 688-1603

A nonprofit referral agency, Direct Link maintains listings of more than 10,000 organizations and commuinty-based resource centers for all ages and disabilities.

State CA

Micro Abilities
98 Main St. - Suite 232
Tiburon, CA 94920
(415) 435-2966

This group provides services in the form of a research center, training and diagnostic center.

State CO

Helen Keller - Rocky Mountain Region
12075 East 45th St. - Suite 222
Denver, CO 80239
(303) 373-1204

Rehabilitation training for the deaf and blind for these states: Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Wyoming and Utah. Identification and advocacy of individuals who have sensori-impairments. Referral service.

State CO

Colorado Coalition - Persons with Disabilities
789 Sherman St. #520
Denver, CO 80203-3532
(303) 863-0113 303-861-2735TDD

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State CO

HEAR NOW
4001 S. Magnolia Way - Suite 100
Denver, CO 80237
(303) 758-4919 800-648HEAR-TDD

HEAR NOW is a national philanthropic, non-profit organization which raises funds to provide grants and/or loans to individuals with financial need to help cover the cost of hearing aid technology or cochlear implantation.

State CO

National Veterans Training Institute
University of Colorado at Denver
1250 14th St. - Suite 650
Denver, CO 80202
(800) 331-0562 (303) 892-1712

The National Veterans Training Institute strengthens the national network of Disabled Veterans Outreach Program specialists and local Veterans Employment Representatives. It was established to provide additional skills and upgrade the professional abilities of those who deliver services to our veterans. Components to the program include the Resource and Technical Assistance Center and the National Veterans Counseling and Guidance Program.

State CO

Colorado Easter Seal Society
5755 West Alameda
Lakewood, CO 80226
(303) 233-1666

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader. This CSO also maintains a full-service Computer Resource Center to provide information and training for disabled persons, their families and the professionals who work with them.

State CO

Disability Information & Referral Service
3805 Marshall St.
Wheat Ridge, CO 80033
(303) 420-2942 800/255-3477TDD

The DIRS provides information about services available to persons with disabilities, their families and support groups. Through a computerized database, DIRS has information from the private sector, government and government-supported agencies.

State CT

The National Theatre of the Deaf
The Hazel E. Stark Center
Chester, CT 06412
(203) 526-4971 (203) 526-4974

Concerned with artistic and theatrical professional development of deaf actors and actresses, this theatre tours the United States and abroad. It also presents the Little Theatre of the Deaf productions in schools and sponsors a professional school, with full scholarships available for deaf people interested in the theatre.

State CT

Connecticut Parent Advocacy Center
5 Church Lane
East Lyme, CT 06333
(203) 739-3089

This statewide organization provides information and support to families of children with disabilites.

State CT

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
State Board of Education
600 Asylum Avenue
Hartford, CT 06105
(203) 566-4440

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State CT

Connecticut Special Education Resource Center
25 Industrial Park Rd.
Middlewtown, CT 06457
(203) 632-1485

Assisting professionals and parents as they provide education for children with disabilities. Services include: library, instructional resources exhibit, newsletter, information dissemination, personnel development for all disabilities.

State CT

AbleData (Newington CHildren's Hospital)
181 E. Cedar St.
Newington, CT 06111
(800) 344-5405 (203) 67-5405

Funded by the National Institute on Disability and Rehabilitation Research, AbleData maintains a database with over 15,000 listings of adaptive devices for all disabilities.

State **CT**

Easter Seal Rehab Center of SW Connecticut
26 Palmer's Hill Rd.
Stamford, CT 06902
(203) 325-1544

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State **CT**

Governor's Committee-Employment of Disabled
200 Folly Brook Blvd.
Wethersfield, CT 06109
(203) 566-8061

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **DC**

Educational Administrators Serving the Deaf
Gallaudet University
800 Florida Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 651-5015

This organization is committed to improving the management of programs for deaf students and the educational options for deaf people. Publication: American Annals of the Deaf.

State **DC**

United Cerebral Palsy Associations
1522 K St. NW - Suite 1112
Washington, DC 20005
(202) 842-1266 (800) USA-5UCP

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State **DC**

National Center for Law and the Deaf
Gallaudet University
800 Florida Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 651-5373

Develops and provides a variety of legal services and programs to the deaf community.

State **DC**

Quota International Inc.
1420 21st St. NW
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 331-9694

This group's major service project, Shatter Silence, serves individuals with hearing and speech disabilities. They offer fellowships and the annual Outstanding Deaf Woman of the Year Program.

State **DC**

Better Hearing Institute
P.O. Box 1840
Washington, DC 20013
(800) EAR-WELL (703) 642-0580

The Institute is dedicated to informing hearing impaired persons, their friends and relatives and the public about hearing loss and available medical, surgical and amplification assistance. Publication: Communicator.

State **DC**

Rehabilitation Engineering Center
1901 Pennsylvania Ave. NW - Suite 700
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 955-5822

The center is a research facility funded by the Department of Education to promote the transfer of technology to people with disabilities.

State **DC**

Gallaudet University Alumni Association
Alumni House, Gallaudet University
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 651-5030

This membership organization supports Gallaudet University through fellowships, fund raising and national awards; it oversees the University's Hall of Fame and publishes the Gallaudet Alumni Newsletter.

State **DC**

Deafness and Communication Disorders Branch
Rehabilitation Services - Dept. of Education
330 C St. SW - Room 3316
Washington, DC 20201
(202) 732-1401 202/732-1330TDD

This organization promotes improved and expanded rehabilitation services for deaf, hearing impaired, speech impaired and language disordered individuals. It provides technical assistance to RSA staff, state rehabilitation agencies, other public and private agencies and individuals.

State **DC**

National Information Center on Deafness
Gallaudet University
800 Florida Ave. NE
Washington, DC 20002
(202) 651-5051 202/651-5052TDD

The center provides information about deafness, hearing loss and Gallaudet University to all interested individuals. Gallaudet is a multi-purpose educational center serving hearing impaired persons around the world through its comprehensive programs in academics, research and public service.

State **DC**

RESNA
1101 Connecticut Ave. NW - Suite 700
Washington, DC 20036
202) 857-1199

An interdisciplinary association for the advancement of rehabilitaion and assistive technology.

State **DC**

Pres. Committee-Employment of Persons w/Disabilities
1111 20th St. NW - room 660
Washington, DC 20036
(202) 653-5050 202/653-7386FAX

Publications, online computer databank with information on aids and devices. Assistance provided employers concerning job accommodations for persons with disabilities.

State **DC**

Mayor's Committee on Handicapped Individuals
605 G St. NW - Suite 1101
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-0924

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped," this committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **DC**

Clearinghouse on Computer Accommodation (COCA)
18th and F St. NW - KGDO, room 2022
G.S.A.
Washington, DC 20405
(202) 523-1906

Information available concerning accommodations for the following disabilities: vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental, speech. Primary focus is assistance to federal agencies.

State **DC**

Alexander Graham Bell Assoc. for the Deaf
3417 Volta Pl. NW
Washington, DC 20007
(202) 337-5220

The association is committed to speech education for hearing impaired individuals and disseminates informational materials to all interested persons. Publications: Volta Review, Newsounds (newsletter), Our Kids Magazine, Children's Corner (children's rights information and hearing impaired issues in the classroom).

State **DC**

American Society of Travel Agents Inc.
4400 MacArthur Blvd. NW
Washington, DC 20007
(202) 965-7520

This national association publishes "The United States Welcomes Handicapped Visitors," a brochure dealing with disabled travelers visiting the U.S.

State **DC**

Deafpride Inc.
1350 Potomac Ave. SE
Washington, DC 20003
(202) 675-6700

This non-profit, advocacy organization works for the human rights of deaf people and their families. Assists groups to organize and work together for change in the District of Columbia and throughout the United States. Publication: The Deafpride Advocate.

State **DC**

Veterans Admin. Information Technology Center
810 Vermont Avenue
Washington, DC 20420
(202) 389-5571

Microcomputer training program for persons with disabilities - for Federal employees.

State **DC**

National Organization on Disability
2100 Pennsylvania Ave. NW - Suite 232
Washington, DC 20037
(202) 293-5960

Supports over 1700 local volunteers through community partnerships.

State **DE**

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
Delaware Elwyn Building
321 East 11th Street
Wilmington, DE 19801
(302) 571-3915

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **DE**

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Dept. of Labor - Delaware Elwyn Building
321 East 11th Street
Wilmington, DE 19801
(302) 571-2851

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **FL**

American Society of Deaf Social Workers
c/o Mental Health Svcs for Hearing Impaired
Horizon Hospital, 11300 U.S. 19 South
Clearwater, FL 33546
(813) 541-2646

Promotes information sharing and upgrades the professional standards among hearing impaired social workers and hearing social workers who work primarily with the hearing impaired. ASDSW is an affiliate member of American Deafness and Rehabilitation Association

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State **FL**

Florida Community College at Jacksonville
4501 Capper Rd. - Bldg. C-107
Jacksonville, FL 32218
(904) 766-6607

Data processing training - evaluation and training.

State **FL**

Computer Resource Center
207 N. San Marco Ave.
St. Augustine, FL 32084
(904) 828-1654 ext. 510

The center provides computer training for teachers in Florida who work with students who have vision or hearing disabilities.

State **FL**

Captioned Films/Videos for the Deaf
Modern Talking Pictures Service
5000 Park Street North
St. Petersburg, FL 33709
(800) 237-6213

Free loans of educational and entertainment captioned films and videos.

State **FL**

Florida Council for the Hearing Impaired
Knott Bldg.
Tallahassee, FL 32399
(800) 451-4327 (904) 488-5087

This state agency oversees services to hearing impaired persons and administers a program which distributes telecommunications equipment to hearing impaired and speech imparied persons.

State **FL**

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Department of Labor and Employment Security
1709 Mahan Dr.
Tallahassee, FL 32308
(904) 488-6210

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **GA**

Atlanta Job Link - A Project with Industry
Georgia Sensory Rehabilitation Center
1568 Willingham Dr. - Suite F-200
Atlanta, GA 30337
(404) 768-1656

Atlanta Job-Link Project with Industry is a non-profit organization initiated by the ADAPSO Foundation in cooperation with the Electronics Industry Foundation and the Georgia Department of Human Resources - Rehabilitation Services. This partnership helps satisfy labor market demands by matching qualified disabled workers with job openings at no cost to employers.

State **GA**

Lekotek of Georgia
2030 Powers Ferry Rd. - Suite 140
Atlanta, GA 30339
(404) 980-1744

Lekotek, a toy lending library, provides family support and innovative play techniques to encourage child development and increase self-esteem. Serving children with any exceptionality up to age 8, Lekotek offers a parent support group, movement and music classes and computer lab classes.

State GA

United Way of Metropolitan Atlanta
P.O. Box 2692
Atlanta, GA 30371
(404) 527-7200

United Way services for the metropolitan Atlanta area.

State GA

Division of Rehabilitation Services
Department of Human Resources
878 Peachtree St. NE - room 706
Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 894-6670

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State GA

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
878 Peachtree St. NE - Suite 707
Atlanta, GA 30309
(404) 894-5638

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State GA

Atlanta Easter Seal Center
2030 Powers Ferry Rd. - Suite 140
Atlanta, GA 30339
(404) 980-1744

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State GA

Atlanta Center for Independent Living
1201 Glenwood Ave. SE
Atlanta, GA 30316
(404) 656-2952

Community-based independent (non-residential) living program operated by the Georgia DHR, rehabilitation division - providing individual learning skills training and community development, education and outreach for persons with physical and sensory disabilities.

State GA

Goodwill Industries of Atlanta
2201 Glenwood Ave. SE
Atlanta, GA 30316
(404) 377-0441

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer related programs.

State GA

Helen Keller - Southeastern Region
1005 Virginia Ave. - Suite 104
Atlanta, GA 30354
(404) 766-9625 phone voice/TDD

Education and training for deaf/blind for these states: Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi, Kentucky, Tennessee, North Carolina, South Carolina.

State GA

Roosevelt Warm Springs Institute
P.O. Box 1000
Warm Springs, GA 31830
(404) 655-2000

Rehabilitation institute for a variety of disabilities: stroke, spinal cord injury, head trauma, orthopedic, mental retardation, psychological impairment, learning disabled, blind, deaf and polio.

State HI

Vocational Rehabilitation Services
Department of Social Services
P.O. Box 339
Honolulu, HI 96809
(808) 548-4769

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State HI

Commission on the Handicapped
335 Merchant St. - room 353
Honolulu, HI 96813
(808) 548-7606

The commission serves as a clearinghouse of information relating to persons with disabilities, providing public education and training, including working with community employers to promote the hiring of persons with disabilities.

State IA

Commission on Persons with Disabilities
Lucas State Office Building
Des Moines, IA 50319
(515) 281-5969

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State IA

Vocational Rehabilitation Services
Department of Education
510 East 12th St.
Des Moines, IA 50319
(515) 281-4311

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State ID

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
State Board for Vocational Education
650 West State - room 150
Boise, ID 83720
(208) 334-3390

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training, medical rehabilitation and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers. This program helps people with disabilities enter the workplace.

State ID

Governor's Cmttee-Employment of People w/ Disabilities
317 Main St.
Boise, ID 83735
(208) 334-6193

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State IL

IMPACT Inc.
2735 E. Broadway
Alton, IL 62002
(618)462-1411 618/474-5308TDD

IMPACT is a community service program dedicated to promoting participation of persons with disabilities and enhancing the prospects of people with disabilities to reach their full potential. Its Adaptive Skills Program for persons with head injuries is funded by the Illinois Dept. of Rehabilitation Services.

State IL

Accent on Information
P.O. Box 700
Bloomington, IL 61702
(309) 378-2961

This center has a data base and handles referrals for persons with the following disabilities: mobility, hearing and speech.

State IL

Rehab.-Educ. Center for Vision/Hearing Impaired
University of Illinois
Oak St. at Stadium Dr.
Champaign, IL 61820
(217) 333-4604

Training on computer aids and devices.

State IL

Helen Keller National Center - North Central Region
35 East Wacker Dr. - Suite 772
Chicago, IL 60601-2109
(312) 726-2090 312/726-2810TDD

Field services to consumers and families in Illinois, Indiana, Ohio, Michigan, Minnesota, Wisconsin. Direct client services from the New York headquarters include comprehensive evaluation and rehabilitation training. Vocational evaluation/direction and independent living skills.

State IL

Committee on PCs for the Handicapped
2030 W. Irving Park Road
Chicago, IL 60618
(312) 477-1813

Membership organization - provides contacts, newsletter and lending library. Publication: Link & Go Newsletter.

State IL

American Hearing Research Foundation
55 E. Washington St. - Suite 2022
Chicago, IL 60602
(312) 726-9670

The foundation informs physicians and lay people of the latest developments in hearing research and education. Publication: Newsletter

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State IL

Easter Seal Society of Metro Chicago
Gilchrist-Marchman Center
2345 W. North Ave.
Chicago, IL 60647
(312) 276-4000

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making PCs more affordable for persons with disabilities. They assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State IL

Easter Seal Systems
2023 W. Ogden
Chicago, IL 60612
(312) 243-8400

This organization sponsors grants for software development for disabled persons and develops regional adaptive device centers; it provides education, training and discounts on selected computer systems.

State IL

National Easter Seal Society
5120 S. Hyde Park Blvd. - Suite 100
Chicago, IL 60615
(312) 667-8400 (312) 667-7400

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM to make PCs more affordable for persons with disabilities. They offer assistance to eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions and in ordering and installing. They are able to demonstrate the IBM Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State IL

Illinois DIAL
100 W. Randolph - Suite 8-100
Chicago, IL 60601
(800) 233-DIAL

Illinois DIAL (Disabled Individuals Assistance Line) is an information and referral service that addresses the concerns of individuals with disabilities residing in Illinois. It is operated as a service of the Department of Rehabilitation.

State IL

Lekotek
2100 Ridge Ave.
Evanston, IL 60204
(312) 328-0001

Lekotek is a program that provides a caring place where families whose children have special needs can come for support and encouragement. Its missions is to integrate children into the family and the family into the community. Receiving services at Lekotek are children with spina bifada, Down syndrome, muscular dystrophy, language delays, hearing and visual impairments, seizure disorders and chronic illnesses. Lekotek is a toy library lending toys that improve skills in children with disabilities. There are 50 nationwide programs.

State IL

INNOTEK
2100 Ridge Ave.
Evanston, IL 60204
(312) 328-0001

INNOTEK is the technology division of the National Lekotek Center. It provides technology training for professionals in special education and related fields on the use of computers for children with special needs. INNOTEK oversees COMPUPLAY Resource Centers, a network of computer play and resource centers for families with children with disabilities.

State IL

ACTT (Activating Children Through Technology)
W.I.U. - 27 Horrabin Hall
Macomb, IL 61455
(309) 298-1014

Project ACTT is a computer curriculum for children with disabilities from birth to eight years of age. The ACTT curriculum provides communication possibilities, develops problem solving skills and fosters the child's expectations of control over the environment.

State IL

National Fraternal Society of the Deaf
1300 W. Northwest Highway
Mt. Prospect, IL 60056
(312) 392-9292

This group works in the area of life insurance and advocacy, information and referral for deaf persons. Publication: The Frat.

State IL

Illinois Rehabilitation Services
623 East Adams Street P.O.Box 19429
Springfield, IL 62794
(217) 782-2093

Counseling, guidance, testing, placement.

State IL

UCPA Land of Lincoln
130 North 16th St.
Springfield, IL 62703
(217) 525-6522

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State IL

DuPage Easter Seal Society
830 S. Addison Road
Villa Park, IL 60181
(312) 620-4433

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate equipment, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader. Consultation by a speech pathologist with augmentative communication experience is offered. The center is a pediatric clinic offering physical, occupational, speech and audiological therapy.

State IN

Center for Innovation in Teaching Handicapped
2805 E. 10th St.
Bloomington, IN 47405
(812) 335-5847

Information, data base, referral, resource center; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental, speech.

State IN

Central Indiana Easter Seal Society
Crossroads Rehabilitation Center
3242 Sutherland Avenue
Indianapolis, IN 46205
(317) 924-3251

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader. They specialize in computer access systems for blind and visually impaired individuals; they provide access device training for speech systems, magnification systems and Braille access devices.

State IN

State Commission for the Handicapped
P.O. Box 1964
1330 West Michigan Street
Indianapolis, IN 46206
(317) 633-0286 317/633-0859TDD

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State IN

Indiana Rehabilitation Services
251 North Illinois
P.O. Box 7083
Indianapolis, IN 46207-7083
(317) 232-6503 (317) 232-1319

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State IN

Jr. National Association of the Deaf
455 N. Pennsylvania St. - Suite 804
Indianapolis, IN 46204
(317) 638-1715

Develops leadership skills among deaf high school students by creating opportunities where students can get hands-on experience. Sponsors the Youth Leadership Camp, a comprehensive summer leadership camp for deafstudent leaders. Publication: Junior NAD Newsletter.

State KS

Kansas Commission on Disability Concerns
1430 Southwest Topeka Blvd.
Topeka, KS 66612-1877
(913) 296-1722 913/296-5044TDD

KCDC promotes the integration of people with disabilities into society.

State KS

Cerebral Palsy Research Foundation of Kansas
2021 North Old Manor
P.O. Box 8217
Wichita, KS 67208
(316) 688-1888

Outreach program for augmentative communication work with children and adults with disabilities.

State KY

Office of Rehabilitation Services
Department of Education
Capitol Plaza Tower
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-6742

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State KY

Kentucky Easter Seal Society
Cardinal Hill Hospital
2050 Versailles Road
Lexington, KY 40504
(606) 254-5701

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, equipment checking, training and on-going support.

State KY

Kentucky Committee - Employment of Handicapped
L and N Building
908 West Broadway - room 508
Louisville, KY 40203
(502) 588-4073

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State LA

Bureau of Handicapped Persons
P.O. Box 44371
1755 Florida Boulevard
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
(504) 342-2723

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State LA

Division of Rehabilitation Services
1755 Florida Blvd. P.O. Box 94371
Baton Rouge, LA 70804
(504) 342-2285

Counselors provide services to eligible, disabled individuals, including vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State MA

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
Hurley Building, Government Center
19 Stamford St.
Boston, MA 02114
(617) 727-6580

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State MA

Massachusettes Rehabilitation Commission
Statler Office Building
20 Park Plaza
Boston, MA 02116
(617) 727-2172

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State MA

Federation for Children with Special Needs
312 Stuart - 2nd floor
Boston, MA 02116
(617) 482-2915

Coalition of parent organizations offering technical assistance and resource information on children with various disabilities.

State MA

Advocates Inc.
P.O. Box 2700
Framingham, MA 01701
(617) 620-0024

Advocates Inc. is a private non-profit agency providing community-based residential, emergency and respite programs for disabled adults. It helps emotionally, physically and mentally handicapped people live with dignity and with the greatest possible independence in their communities. Advocates coordinates a comprehensive range of services by mobilizing agencies, local organizations and client families to ensure that each client benefits from a consistent and individualized program of services and support.

State MA

DeafTek.USA
International Deaf/Tek, Inc.
P. O. Box 2431
Framingham, MA 01701-0404
(617) 602-1777

Provides private electronic mail service as well as bulletin board information on deafness related issues and employment opportunitie. Specialized limited access bulletin boards such as Psych.Net for psychologists working with deaf persons.

State MA

Resources for Rehabilitation
33 Bedford St. - Suite 19A
Lexington, MA 02173
(617) 862-6455

Resources for Rehabilitation is a nonprofit organization that provides training and information about resources that help people with disabilities. They offer a series of publications, "Living With Low Vision," which includes a professional desk reference, LARGE PRINT Resource Lists and a LARGE PRINT resource guide for individuals with vision loss.

State MA

United Cerebral Palsy - North Shore
Young Energetic and Self Efficient
103 Johnson Street
Lynn, MA 01902
(617) 595-4191

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related program.

State MA

Massachusetts Easter Seal Society
Denholm Building
484 Main Street - 6th Floor
Worcester, MA 01608
(508) 757-2756 (800) 922-8290

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. The 800 number is for Massachusetts.

State MD

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
200 West Baltimore - 7th floor
Baltimore, MD 21201
(301) 333-2264

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State MD

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
State Department of Education
200 West Baltimore Street
Baltimore, MD 21201
(301) 659-2294

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State MD

Self Help for Hard of Hearing People (SHHH)
7800 Wisconsin Ave.
Bethesda, MD 20814
(301) 657-2248 (301) 657-2249

Promotes awareness about and provides information on hearing loss, communication, assistive devices and alternative communication skills through publications, exhibits and presentations. Publication: Shhh.

State MD

National Congress of Jewish Deaf
9102 Edmonston Court
Greenbelt, MD 20770
(301) 345-8612

Advocates religious, educational and cultural ideals and fellowship for Jewish deaf persons. Publication: N.C.J.D. Quarterly.

State MD

Registry of Interpreters of the Deaf
51 Monroe St. - Suite 1107
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 279-0555

Professional organization which provides information on interpreting, testing and certification of interpreters in the U.S. and Canada. Publications: Interpreter VIEWS, RID Interpreting Journal.

State MD

American Speech-Language-Hearing Association
10801 Rockville Pike
Rockville, MD 20852
(800) 638-8255 (301) 897-5700

Professional and scientific organization for speech-language pathologists and audiologists concerned with communication disorders. Publications: ASHA Journal; Journal of Speech and Hearing Research; Language, Speech and Hearing Services in the Schools; Journal of Hearing and Speech Disorders. Provides information on communication disorders and referrals to professionals.

State MD

American Occupational Therapy Assoc. (AOTA)
1383 Piccard Drive
Rockville, MD 20850
(301) 948-9626

AOTA offers a network and resource center to persons who have the following disabilities: vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental and speech.

State MD

National Association of the Deaf (NAD)
814 Thayer Ave.
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 587-1788

The oldest and largest consumer organization of deaf people in the United States, NAD is concerned with communication skills, legislation, employment rights and other topics. There are affiliated chapters in all fifty states. NAD is one of the largest publishers of deafness related materials. Publications: The Broadcaster, The Deaf American.

State MD

Handicapped Education Exchange
11523 Charlton Dr.
Silver Spring, MD 20902
(301) 681-7372

The exchange provides a computerized bulletin board TTY/TDD and access bulletin TTY/TDD. Computer numbers: (310) 593-7033 (TDD or 300 baud ASCII) and (301) 593-7357 (ASCII only, 300/1200 baud).

State MD

International Catholic Deaf Association
814 Thayer Ave.
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 588-4009

This is the only international lay association founded and controlled by deaf Catholic adults. Publication: The Deaf Catholic.

State MD

National Catholic Office of the Deaf
814 Thayer Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 587-7992

NCOD is a non-profit organization that promotes pastoral ministry with persons who are deaf and hearing impaired. The office works with pastors, pastoral workers, catechists and families to organize workshops and provide information and teaching materials for religious education. Publication: Listening - a magazine published five times a year.

State MD

Telecommunications for the Deaf, Inc. (TDI)
814 Thayer Avenue
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 589-3786 (301) 589-3006

A TDD/PC consumer-oriented organization that sells decoders for deaf people. Supports legislation and advocates the use of TDDs in the public, private and government sectors. Publications: GA-SK, International Telephone Directory of TDD and Computer Users.

State **MD**

American Society for Deaf Children
814 Thayer Ave.
Silver Spring, MD 20910
(301) 585-5400

This membership organization provides information and support to parents and families with children who are deaf or hearing impaired. Publication: The Endeavor.

State **ME**

Bureau of Rehabilitation
Department of Health and Human Services
32 Winthrop Street
Augusta, ME 04330
(207) 289-2266

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **ME**

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
32 Winthrop Street
Augusta, ME 04330
(207) 289-3484

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **MI**

Michigan Rehabilitation Services
State Department of Education
608 W. Allegan, P.O. Box 30010
Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-3391

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **MI**

Commission on Handicapper Concerns
Box 30015
Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-8397 voice/TDD

This group serves as an information resource and advocate for Michigan's disabled persons. MCHC is affiliated with the President's Committee on Employment.

State MI

National Hearing Aid Society
20361 Middlebelt Road
Livonia, MI 48152
(800) 521-5247 (313) 478-2610

This is a professional association of hearing aid specialists who test hearing and select, fit and dispense hearing instruments. It provides consumer information through toll-free Hearing Aid Hotline.

State MN

East Range Developmental Achievement Center
800 A. Avenue
Eveleth, MN 55734
(218) 744-5130

Information, database, referral network; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, speech, mental.

State MN

Closing The Gap
P. O. Box 68
Henderson, MN 56044
(612) 248-3294

This organization provides the latest information in technology for disabled persons. It sponsors national and regional conferences, workshops and training; operates a bookstore; and publishes a newspaper and annual resource directory listing hardware and software products.

State MN

PACER Center (Parent Advocacy Coalition-Ed. Rights)
4826 Chicago Avenue South
Minneapolis, MN 55417-1055
(612) 827-2966

PACER provides information, training and assistance to parents of children with disabilities. Advice is offered in the areas of appropriate education and interpretation of legal rights. PACER offers a Computer Resource Center which provides information on adapting PCs for use by disabled persons.

State MN

Express Yourself Inc.
P.O. Box 16374
Minneapolis, MN 55416
(612) 922-7753

This group raises money to assist speech, hearing and visually impaired individuals obtain computerized communication equipment. They provide financial assistance to advocacy organizations and promote personal independence through technological advancements.

State MN

Minnesota State Council on Disability
145 Metro Square Bldg.
7th and Robert Streets
St. Paul, MN 55101
(612) 296-6785 (800) 652-9747

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State MN

Division of Rehabilitation Services
Department of Jobs & Training
390 North Robert St. - 5th Floor
St. Paul, MN 55101
(612) 296-5616

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State MO

The Independence
P.O. Box 463
Chesterfield, MO 63006
(800) 726-6130

This is a newspaper designed for persons with disabilities, their familiies and health care professionals. It is distributed free to groups in the greater St. Louis area.

State MO

Adaptive Computing Technology (ACT) Center
200 Heinkel Bldg. - Computing Services
Columbia, MO 65211
(314) 882-2000

The ACT Center provides adaptive computing to persons with disabilities. A full range of workstations is available for those who are blind, mobility impaired and learning disabled. Client services include training and technical support and assistance in acquiring funding for systems.

State MO

Missouri LINC
Univerity of Missouri - Columbia
401 E. Stewart Rd.
Columbia, MO 65211
(800) 392-0533 (314) 882-2733

This group is a resource center for educators that provides information, technical assistance, inservice training and materials for vocational and transition education for special needs students.

State MO

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Dept. of Elementary & Secondary Education
2401 East McCarty Street
Jefferson City, MO 65101
(314) 751-3251

Counselors coordinate services for clients: vocational evaluation, counseling, training, guidance and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State MO

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
P.O. Box 1668
Jefferson City, MO 65102
(314) 751-2600

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State MO

Helen Keller - Great Plains Region
112 West 9th Street - Suite 501
Kansas City, MO 64105
(816) 474-8299

Education and training for the deaf and blind for these states: Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska.

State MO

International Lutheran Deaf Association
1333 S. Kirkwood Road
St. Louis, MO 63122
(314) 965-9917 Ext. 315

Promotes ministry for deaf persons throughout the Lutheran Church-Missouri Synod. Publication: The Deaf Lutheran.

State MO

Canine Assistance for the Disabled Inc.
4545 Forest Pard - Apt. 309
St. Louis, MO 63108
(314) 361-7939

CADI provides persons with physical or hearing impairment with a dog trained to assist in meeting daily needs - customized according to client needs.

State MO

Episcopal Conference of the Deaf
1210 Locust Street
St. Louis, MO 63103
(314) 421-2685

Promotes ministry for deaf persons throughout the Episcopal Church. Affiliated with approximately 50 congregations in the United States. Publication: The Deaf Episcopalian.

State MO

Missouri Easter Seal Society
1710 Mississippi Ave.
St. Louis, MO 63104
(800) 888-2142 (314) 776-1996

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They assist users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. The 800 number is available only in Missouri.

State MS

Governor's Office of Handicapped Services
Department of Rehabilitation Services
P.O. Box 22806
Jackson, MS 39225-2806
(601) 354-6100

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State MT

Governor's Committee-Employment People w/ Disabilities
Personnel Division
Mitchell Boulding - room 130
Helena, MT 59620
(406) 444-3871 (406) 444-3886

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NC

National Cued Speech Association
P.O. Box 31345
Raleigh, NC 27622
(919) 838-1218

This membership organization provides advocacy and support regarding use of cued speech. Information and services are provided to hearing impaired persons of all ages, their families, friends and professionals who work with them.

State NC

Vocational Rehabilitation Services
Department of Human Resources
620 North West St. P.O. Box 26053
Raleigh, NC 27611
(919) 733-3364

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State ND

Governor's Council on Human Resources
State Capitol - Annex: 3rd floor
Bismark, ND 58505
(701) 224-2970

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NE

Nebraska Department of Education
Box 94987
301 Centennial Mall South
Lincoln, NE 68509
(402) 471-2471

Computer access and training on aids and devices.

State NE

U.S. Society-Augmentative and Alt. Communication
c/o Barkley Memorial Center
University of Nebraska
Lincoln, NE 68588
(402) 472-5463

USSAAC is the U.S. national chapter of the International Society; its purpose is to enhance the communication effectiveness of persons who can benefit from augmentative and alternative communication and to support the purposes of ISAAC - promoting public awareness, assisting individuals, influencing policy and legislation, fostering local activities, etc.

State NH

Governor's Commission for the Handicapped
85 Manchester Street
Concord, NH 03301
(603) 228-0432

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped," this commission works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NJ

U.S. Deaf Skiers Association
159 Davis Avenue
Hackensack, NJ 07601
(201) 489-3777

Works with United States teams involved in international competition. Also promotes recreational skiing for hearing impaired persons. Publication: USDSA Newsletter.

State NJ

Easter Seal Society of New Jersey
Brookdale Community College
765 Newman Springs Road
Lincroft, NJ 07738
(800) 468-0027 (201) 842-1900

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making PCs more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. The 800 number is available only in New Jersey. They are able to demonstrate the IBM Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State NJ

AT&T National Special Needs Center
2001 Rt. 46 - Suite 310
Parsippany, NJ 07054-1315
(800) 233-1222 800/833-3232TDD

The AT&T National Special Needs Center serves the communications needs of customers with hearing, speech, motion or vision impairments. AT&T publishes a product catalog with information on special TDD services, long distance information and the products available.

State NJ

Governor's Committee on the Disabled
108-110 North Broad Street
Trenton, NJ 08625
(609) 633-6959

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NJ

New Jersey Vocational Rehabilitation
1005 Labor & Industry Building
John Fitch Plaza - CN 398
Trenton, NJ 08625
(609) 292-5987

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, medical restoration, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers. Services are provided through a network of 19 statewide offices.

State NJ

UCPA of New Jersey
354 South Broad Street
Trenton, NJ 08608
(609) 392-4004

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State NM

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Department of Education
604 West San Mateo
Santa Fe, NM 87503
(505) 982-4555

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State NM

Governor's Committee-Concerns of Handicapped
Bataan Memorial Bldg - Room 171
Santa Fe, NM 87503
(505) 827-6465

Concerns include employment, education, architectural access; works with employers, architects, legislators and consumers to promote civil rights for disabled individuals.

State NV

Governor's Comm.-Employment of People w/ Disabilities
3100 Mill St. - Suite 115
Reno, NV 89502
(702) 789-0366

The Governor's Committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NY

State Advocate for the Disabled
10th Floor, Agency Bldg. # 1
Empire State Plaza
Albany, NY 12223
(518) 474-2825 (800) 522-4369

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped," this agency works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State NY

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
State Education Department
99 Washington Avenue
Albany, NY 12230
(518) 474-2714 (800) 222-5627

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State NY

Music Therapy Association
25 Gelston Avenue
Brooklyn, NY 11209
(718) 745-9231

This association provides services for disabled people interested in computer-generated music systems. Its services include consulting and system set-up.

State NY

UCPA of New York
120 East 23rd St. - 5th floor
New York, NY 10010
(212) 979-9700 Ext. 263

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State NY

Deafness Research Foundation
9 East 38th St.
New York, NY 10016
(212) 684-6556 (212) 684-6559

The foundation supports and provides grants for research into causes, treatment and prevention of deafness to hospitals, universities and non-profit institutions. Publication: Receiver.

State NY

Federation of the Handicapped
211 West 14th St.
New York, NY 10011
(212) 242-9050

Training and diagnostic support provided for persons with the following disabilities: vision, mobility, hearing, learning, speech, mental.

State NY

National Technical Institute for Deaf
One Lomb Memorial Drive
P.O. Box 9887
Rochester, NY 14623-0887
(716) 475-6400 (716) 475-2181

Provides technological postsecondary education to hearing impaired students. Disseminates materials and instructional videotapes on deafness and related areas. Publication: NTID Focus.

State NY

Helen Keller National Center for Deaf & Blind
111 Middle Neck Rd.
Sands Point, NY 11050-1299
(516) 944-8900

This is the national facility which provides comprehensive evaluation and prevocational rehabilitation training; it conducts an extensive network of field services through regional offices, affiliated programs and a national training team; it maintains the National Register of Deaf-Blind Persons and designs and improves sensory aids. Publication: The Nat-Cent News.

State NY

Helen Keller - Mid Atlantic Region
111 Middle Neck Rd.
Sands Point, NY 11050
(516) 944-8900

Education and training for the deaf and blind for these states: New Jersey, New York, Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands.

State NY

Association of Computer Educators Inc.
751 Brand Ave.
Staten Island, NY 10310
(718) 596-5708

Facilitates information sharing, promotes equitable use of computers by all students.

State NY

UCPA of Syracuse - "Enable"
1603 Court St.
Syracuse, NY 13208
(315) 455-7[illegible]91

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State OH

Handicapped Users' Database
5000 Arlington Centre Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43220
(800) 848-8990

Information, database, referral; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, speech, mental.

State OH

Governor's Council on People with Disabilities
400 E. Campus View Blvd. - SW 4
Columbus, OH 43235-4604
(614) 438-1391 (800) 282-4536

The council serves in an advisory capacity to the governor's office and to the General Assembly assisting local, state and federal agencies to ensure maximum utilization of funds to benefit people with disabilities.

State OH

Association for Disabled Students
P.O. Box 21192
Columbus, OH 43221
(614) 488-4972

A national association of professionals working on campuses with post-secondary disabled students. Disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental.

State OH

Compuserve - Handicapped Users' Database
5000 Arlington Centre Blvd.
Columbus, OH 43220
(800) 848-8990

HUD is collection of articles, news, lists of organizations regarding the disabled.

State OH

Canine Companions for Independence
6901 Harrisburg Pike
Orinet, OH 43146
(614) 871-2554

Canine Companions pioneered the concept of training specially bred dogs to help disabled persons - other than blindness.

State OK

Office of Handicapped Concerns
4300 North Lincoln Blvd. - Suite 200
Oklahoma City, OK 73105
(405) 521-3756 (800) 522-8224

This office is an independent state agency which helps state government develop policies and services to meet the needs of Oklahomans with disabilities. OHC serves as a resource to disabled persons who want to present their views and recommendations to the Governor, the legislature and state agencies.

State OK

Rehabilitation Services
Department of Human Services
P.O. Box 25352
Oklahoma City, OK 73125
(405) 424-4311 ext. 2873

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State OR

Dogs for the Deaf Inc.
10175 Wheeler Rd.
Central Point, OR 97502
(503) 826-9220

This service provides certified Hearing Ear Dogs free of charge to qualified deaf applicants.

State OR

American Tinnitus Association
P.O. Box 5
Portland, OR 97207
(503) 248-9985

Provides education and information about tinnitus to patients and professionals. Provides telephone counseling and self-help support and raises money for research. Publication: ATA newsletter, Tinnitus Today.

State OR

Compute Able Network
P.O. Box 1706
Portland, OR 97207
(503) 645-0009 503/645-2049FAX

Compute Able Network, a service company, is devoted to enabling people through adaptive computer technology. The company provides services, technical assistance, site assessments and training for individuals and professionals, including evaluation, equipment and workstation design training and followup.

State OR

Department of Human Resources - Vocational Rehab.
2045 Silverton Rd. NE
Salem, OR 97310
(503) 378-3850

Vocational and independent living services counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State OR

Oregon Disablities Commission
1880 Lancaster NE - Suite 106
Salem, OR 97310
(503) 378-3142 (800) 358-3117

The commission serves as the governor's committee on employment of persons with disabilities. It provides information and referral and advocacy services, administering the deaf and hearing-impaired access program and the client assistance program.

State PA

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
Labor and Industry Building
7th and Forster Streets - room 1315
Harrisburg, PA 17120
(717) 787-5232

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State PA

Office of Vocational Rehabilitation
Labor and Industry Building, Rm 1300
7th and Forster Streets
Harrisburg, PA 17120
(717) 787-5244

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State PA

Helen Keller - East Central Region
1301 Lincoln Ave.
Prospect Park, PA 19076
(215) 237-1575

Education and training for deaf/blind in these states: Delaware, Washington, D.C., Maryland, Pennsylvania, Virginia, West Virginia. Disabilities - vision, hearing.

State PA

Allied Services
P.O. Box 1103
Scranton, PA 18501
(717) 348-1338

Vocational and professional services for persons with disabilities.

State **RI**

Easter Seal Society of Rhode Island
Meeting Street School
667 Waterman Ave.
East Providence, RI 02914
(401) 438-9500

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support. They are able to demonstrate the Personal System/2 Screen Reader.

State **RI**

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Social and Rehabilitive Services
46 Aborn Street
Providence, RI 02903
(401) 421-7005

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement sevices and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **SC**

The National Information System
Benson Bldg. - Univ. of South Carolina
Columbia, SC 29208
(800) 922-9234 800/922-1107 SC

The National Information System is a toll-free information and referral service that has information about specialized services available to children from birth to 21 years of age who have developmental disabilities or special health care needs.

State **SC**

Governor's Committee-Employment of Handicapped
P.O. Box 15
West Columbia, SC 29171-0015
(803) 739-5303

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **SC**

Vocational Rehabilitation Department
1410 Boston Avenue
P.O. Box 15
West Columbia, SC 29171
(803) 734-4300

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **SD**

Vocational Rehabilitation Office
Kneip State Office Building
700 Governors Drive
Pierre, SD 57501
(605) 773-3125

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State **TN**

Governor's Comm.-Employment of People w/ Disabilities
Citizens Plaza Bank Building
400 Deaderick St. - 11th Floor
Nashville, TN 37219
(615) 741-2095

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State **TN**

Services for the Blind
Tennessee Division - Rehabilitation Services
400 Deaderick St. - Suite 1100
Nashville, TN 37219
(615) 741-2919

Counseling, social work, education, computers, employment, pre-vocational evaluation and placement.

State **TN**

Vocational Opportunities Inc.
New Medico Head Injury System
205 Westgate Drive
Springfield, TN 37172
(800) 227-3824 (615) 384-8686

The New Medico Head Injury System provides rehabilitation to the head injury survivor. Their professional associates in 34 locations nationwide provide assessment, coma intervention, community re-entry, vocational training and other resources concerning the rehabilitation process.

State **TX**

Texas Easter Seal Society
800 West Ave. - Bldg. C: Suite 100
Austin, TX 78701
(800) 492-5555 (512) 474-1272

State TX

Texas Governor's Committee for Disabled Persons
4900 North Lamar Blvd.
Austin, TX 78751-2316
(512) 483-4384

Along with mayor's committees across the state, the Texas Governor's Committee creates opportunities for persons with disabilities to make a contribution and to work to their full potential. Members of the committee promote employment and public awareness of the abilities and needs of people with disabilities.

State TX

Texas Rehabilitation Commission
118 East Riverside Dr.
Austin, TX 78704
(512) 483-4000

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State TX

Helen Keller - South Central Region
4455 LBJ FWY - Suite 317 LB #3
Dallas, TX 75244
(214) 490-9677

Education and training for persons who are deaf/blind for these states: Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma, Texas.

State TX

Center for Computer Assistance to the Disabled
617 Seventh Ave.
Fort Worth, TX 76104
(817) 870-9082 817/870-9086TDD

A non-profit training center for computer skills for jobs and daily life. Also serves as a clearinghouse for information regarding computer applications. Acquired by REACH in January, 1989. Publication: Direct Llink (quarterly).

State TX

REACH (Rehab/Educ/Advocacy for Citizens with Handicaps)
617 7th Ave.
Fort Worth, TX 76104
(817) 870-9082 817-8709086 TDD

REACH acquired C-CAD (Center for Computer Assistance to the Disabled) in January 1989. A non-profit training center for computer skills for jobs and daily life. They serve as a clearinghouse for information about computer applications.

State TX

Easter Seal Rehabilitation Center
2203 Babcock Road
San Antonio, TX 78229
(512) 699-3911

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State UT

Division of Rehabilitation Services
Office of Education
250 East Fifth South
Salt Lake City, UT 84111
(801) 533-5991

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State UT

Governor's Comm.-Employment of People w/ Disabilities
120 North 200 West
P.O. Box 45500
Salt Lake City, UT 84145-0500
(801) 538-4210 801/538-4102TDD

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State UT

Utah Easter Seal Society
331 South Rio Grande St. - Suite 206
Salt Lake City, UT 84101
(801) 531-0522

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State VA

National Captioning Institute Inc.
5203 Leesburg Pike
Falls Church, VA 22041
(703) 998-2400

Provides closed captioning service for television networks, program producers, cablecasters, producers of home entertainment video cassettes, advertisers and other organizations in the federal and private sectors.

State VA

Council for Exceptional Children (Center Spec.Ed. Tech)
1920 Association Dr.
Reston, VA 22091-1589
(703) 620-3660

CEC has a specific Division for Learning Disabilities (DLD). They are the major national association of special education teachers, administrators and university students training to be teachers. Its Center for Special Education Technology provides services to increase the use of information about technology. Publishes Exceptional Children and Teaching Exceptional Children.

State VA

Department of Rehabilitative Services
Board of Vocational Rehabilitation
P.O. Box 11045
Richmond, VA 23230
(804) 367-0318

Counselors provide vocational rehabilitation services, including evaluation, counseling, training and job placement; they can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers and sheltered workshops.

State VA

Amer. Academy for Cerebral Palsy and Developmental Med.
2315 Westwood Avenue
P.O. Box 11083
Richmond, VA 23230
(804) 355-0147

This center provides information through a database, referral service and a research center. Help can be obtained for the following disabilities: vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental and speech.

State VA

Board of the Department of Rights of Disabled
101 North 14th St. - 17th floor
Richmond, VA 23219
(804) 225-2042 804-552-3962TDD

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped." Works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State VA

Easter Seal Society of Virginia
4841 Williamson Rd.
P.O. Box 5496
Roanoke, VA 24012
(800) 365-1656 (703) 362-1656

This Community Service Organization (CSO) has formed a partnership with IBM making personal computers more affordable for persons with disabilities. They will assist eligible users in evaluating appropriate solutions, ordering, installing and on-going support.

State VI

Virgin Islands-Department Social Welfare
P.O. Box 550-Charlotte Amalie
St. Thomas, VI 00801
(809) 774-0930

Counseling, social work, education, skill development, placement.

State VT

Vocational Rehabilitation Division
Dept. of Social and Rehabilitation Services
103 S. Main St., Human Resource Agency
Waterbury, VT 05676
(802) 241-2186

Counselors coordinate vocational evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State WA

Assoc. Devel. of Computer Based Instr. Systems
Miller Hall 409
Bellingham, WA 98225
(206) 676-2860

This association provides information, a data base, referral service, diagnostic training and direct support for persons with the following disabilities: vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental and speech.

State WA

NW Council for Computer Education
Old Capitol Building - FG-11
Olympia, WA 98504
(206) 586-2053

Network; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental, speech.

State WA

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Department of Social and Health Services
State Office Building, #2 (OB-21C)
Olympia, WA 98504
(206) 753-2544

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, vocational counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

State WA

Governor's Committee on Disability Issues & Employment
Employment Security Department
Mail Stop KG-11
Olympia, WA 98504
(206) 438-3168 206-438-3167TDD

The governor's committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State WA

Hearing, Speech & Deafness Center
Comprehensive Rehabilitation Programs
1620 18th Avenue
Seattle, WA 98122
(206) 323-5770

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State WA

Computer Demonstration Center Program
33 S. Second Ave.
Yakima, WA 98902
(509) 575-2885

Resource center, training/diagnostic/direct support; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, mental, speech.

State WI

Governor's Committee-People with Disabilities
131 West Wilson St. - Room 1003
P.O. Box 7852
Madison, WI 53707
(608) 266-5378 608-267-2082TDD

The governor's committee advises and informs the governor, the legislature and state agencies about issues of concern to people with disabilities. The committee promotes public awareness of the abilities and needs of persons with disabilities.

State WI

Computers to Help People Inc.
1221 W. Johnson St.
Madison, WI 53715
(608) 257-5917

This organization trains disabled people in computer use, employs disabled people in computer related jobs, develops software for the disabled and distributes software by mail order.

State WI

North Central Technical Institute
1000 Campus Drive
Wausau, WI 54401
(715) 675-3331

Computer access, training aids and devices.

State WI

Hearing and Visually Impaired Programs
North Central Technical College
1000 Campus Dr.
Wausau, WI 54401
(715) 675-3331

Resource center, training, diagnostics, direct support; disabilities - vision, hearing.

State WV

Governor's Committee on Disabled Persons
Dept. of Human Services - room B-617
1900 W. Washington St. East
Charleston, WV 25305
(304) 348-2400

Usually called "Committee on Employment of the Handicapped," this committee works with community employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State WV

Job Accommodation Network
WV Univeristy - 809 Allen Hall
Morgantown, WV 26506
(800) 526-7234 (800) 526-2262

An international information and consulting resource providing job accomodation information to employers, rehabilitation professionals and persons with disabilities relating to all employemnt issues. The second 800 number is for Canada, and both numbers are voice/TDD.

State WY

Governor's Committee for Employment of the Handicapped
Hathaway Building - room 338
Cheyenne, WY 82002
(307) 777-7191

The governor's committee works with statewide employers to promote the hiring of disabled persons.

State WY

6epartment of Employment
Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
326 Hathaway Building
Cheyenne, WY 82002
(307) 777-6843

Computer access and training on aids and devices.

State WY

Division of Vocational Rehabilitation
Department of Employment
Hathaway State Office Bldg. - room 327
Cheyenne, WY 82002
(307) 777-6624

Counselors coordinate therapeutic evaluation, counseling, training and placement services and can also refer clients to community resources, such as independent living centers.

Additional Resources

The support groups listed are other organizations providing services to this special population. Their services vary widely. Please read the service descriptions and contact the groups directly for specific details. (Groups are sorted by city within each state.)

State AK

State Department of Education
State Office Bldg. - Pouch F
Juneau, AK 99811
(907) 465-2970

This agency of Alaska's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State AL

Lakeshore Rehabilitation Facility
3800 Ridgeway Dr.
Birmingham, AL 35209
(205) 870-5999

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State AL

Program for Exceptional Children and Youth
State Department of Education
1020 Monticello Court
Montgomery, AL 36117
(205) 261-5099

This agency of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State AR

Special Education Section
State Department of Education
Arch Ford Education Building
Little Rock, AR 72201
(501) 682-4221

This agency of the Arkansas Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State AZ

Special Education Section
Arizona Department of Education
1535 West Jefferson
Phoenix, AZ 85007
(602) 542-3183

This agency of Arizona's Department of Education administers special education programs.

State CA

Grossmont College
8800 Grossmont College Dr.
El Cajon, CA 92020
(619) 465-1700 Ext. 608

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers and business personal computer users.

State CA

San Gabriel Valley Training Center
400 South Covina Blvd.
La Puente, CA 91746
(818) 968-8479

This training program, an IBM-initiated rehabilitation training program (IBMRP), offers training in fields related to word processing, data entry and personal computer operations.

State CA

Tripod
955 North Alfred St.
Los Angeles, CA 90069
800/352-8888 US 800/346-8888 CA

Provides a national toll-free hotline for parents and individuals wanting information about raising and educating deaf children. Also has a preschool for hearing impaired children and an elementary mainstream program.

State CA

Westside Center for Independent Living
12655 West Washington Blvd.
Los Angeles, CA 90066
(213) 390-3406

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State CA

Merritt Community College
Disabled Students Services
12500 Campus Drive
Oakland, CA 94619
(415) 436-2429

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State CA

High Tech Center for the Disabled
Cal. Community Colleges Chancellor's Office
1107 Ninth St.
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 322-4636

The Center provides training and support to instructional specialists in California community colleges and other institutions. Training and support are available in the areas of computer access tehcnologies for low vision, blind, physically and learning disabled persons.

State CA

Division of Special Education
State Department of Education
721 Capitol Mall - room 614
Sacramento, CA 95814
(916) 323-4768

This agency of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State CA

Goodwill Industries
980 Howard St.
San Francisco, CA 94103
(415) 362-0778

This agency offers an IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) to train in fields related to programming or computer use. The emphasis is on computer applications such as WordPerfect, Lotus 1-2-3 and d-Base.

State CA

Goodwill of Orange County
410 North Fairview
Santa Ana, CA 92702
(714) 547-6301

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State CA

Goodwill Industries of the Redwood Empire
11 West Barham Ave.
Santa Rosa, CA 95407
(707) 523-0550

Transitional services for persons with disabilities, including vocational evaluation, work adjustment, work hardening, skills training, on-the-job training, supported employment and job placement.

State CA

Los Angeles/Project With Industry
23890 Hawthorne Blvd.
Torrance, CA 90505
(213) 373-9541

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State CA

Telemarketing Visions Institute
8358 Creighton Ave.
Westchester, CA 90045
(213) 645-4312

TVI is a nonprofit vocational training organization providing telemarketing and computer office automation skills training to visually impaired clients. They also assist with job placement.

State CO

Special Education Services
State Department of Education
201 East Colfax Avenue
Denver, CO 80203
(303) 866-6694

This division of Colorado's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each school district.

State CO

EmployAbility Inc.
1249 East Colfax - Suite 219
Denver, CO 80218
(303) 861-0116

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State CT

The Work Bank Inc.
75 Van Dyke Avenue
Hartford, CT 06106
(203) 247-0549

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State CT

Vocational Rehabilitation
600 Asylum Ave.
Hartford, CT 06105
(203) 566-2675

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State DC

Electronic Industries Foundation
Projects with Industry
1901 Pennsylvania Ave. NW - Suite 700
Washington, DC 20006
(202) 955-5816

A national employment placement program for individuals with disabilities; areas addressed include computer-related programs. Limited scholarships are available to students with disabilities pursuing advanced degress in technical fields.

State DC

Rehabilitation Services Administration
605 G St. NW - room 1111
Washington, DC 20001
(202) 727-3227

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State DE

Exceptional Children/Special Programs
Department of Public Instruction
Townsend Building P.O. Box 1402
Dover, DE 19903
(302) 736-5471

This division of Delaware's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State FL

Palm Beach Rehabilitation Center
4522 South Congress Ave.
Lake Worth, FL 33466
(305) 965-8500

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State FL

Lindsey Hopkins Technical Education Center
750 NW 20th St. # 224
Miami, FL 33127
(305) 324-6070

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State FL

Valencia Community College
P.O. Box 3028
Orlando, FL 32802
(305) 299-5000

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers. The program also offers computer-assisted design training.

State FL

Vocational Education for Special Needs
George Stone Area Vo-Tech Center
2400 Longleaf Dr.
Pensacola, FL 32506
(904) 944-1424

A computer training program for the blind, visually and severely physically impaired. The mission of this program is to expand vocational training and job placement for individuals with these disabilities. The curriculum emphasis is on keyboarding skills, word processing, data bases and simple programming.

State FL

Fellowship House
5711 South Dixie Highway
South Miami, FL 33143
(305) 667-1036

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State GA

Special Education Programs Division
1966 Twin Towers E.
205 Butler St.
Atlanta, GA 30334
(404) 656-2425

This division of Georgia's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State GA

Georgia Computer Campus
ATDC
430 10th Street - Suite 201
Atlanta, GA 30318
(404) 894-3972

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers and customer service representatives.

State HI

Special Needs Branch
Department of Education
3430 Leahi Ave.
Honolulu, HI 96815
(808) 737-3720

This division of Hawaii's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State ID

Specialized Education Section
State Department of Education - Jordan Bldg.
650 West State St.
Boise, ID 83720
(208) 334-3940

This division of Idaho's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State IL

Goodwill Industries
219 S. Illinois St.
Belleville, IL 62222
(618) 235-2440

Goodwill provides training and support services for disabled individuals including services for the blind, including referral services, testing assistance, travel skills training and career exploration.

State IL

Hancock County Mental Health Center
Vocational Development Program
607 Buchanan (Highway 136)
Carthage, IL 62321
(217) 357-3176

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State IL

Coordinating Council for Handicapped Children
20 East Jackson - Suite 900
Chicago, IL 60604
(312) 939-3513

The council provides training programs on special education rights and services for parents and professionals; it also provides free pamphlets on the special education process.

State IL

El Valor Corporation
815 West Van Buren
Chicago, IL 60607
(312) 421-0510

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State IL

Department of Special Services
State Board of Education
100 North First St.
Springfield, IL 62777
(217) 782-6601

This department of the State Board of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State IN

Crossroads Rehabilitation Center
3242 Sutherland Ave.
Indianapolis, IN 46205
(317) 924-3251

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State KS

Special Education Division
State Department of Education
120 East 10th St.
Topeka, KS 66612
(913) 296-4945

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State KS

International Association of Machinists
Projects with Industry
3830 South Meridian
Wichita, KS 67217
(316) 522-1591

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State KY

Office of Education - Exceptional Children
State Department of Education
Capitol Plaza Tower, 8th Floor
Frankfort, KY 40601
(502) 564-4970

This division of Kentucky's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State LA

Louisiana State University
CRT Program
E124 Pleasant Hall
Baton Rouge, LA 70803
(504) 388-1965

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State LA

Office of Special Educational Services
State Department of Education
Capitol Station, Box 94064
Baton Rouge, LA 70804-9064
(504) 342-3631

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State MA

College Hill Press
34 Beacon St.
Boston, MA 02108
(617) 227-0730

College Hill publishes many titles each year covering speech and language, hearing, special education and communicative disorders.

State MA

Special Education Division
Massachusetts Department of Education
1385 Hancock Street
Quincy, MA 02169
(617) 770-7468

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State MD

Maryland Rehabilitation Center
2301 Argonne Dr.
Baltimore, MD 21218
(301) 554-3101

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State MD

Goodwill Industries of America Inc.
Projects with Industry
9200 Wisconsin Ave.
Bethesda, MD 20814
(301) 530-6500

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State ME

University College - University Maine/Orano
135 Eastport Hall
Bangor, ME 04401
(207) 581-6121

Programmer Training Project with evaluation.

State MI

The University of Michigan - Computing Center
1075 Beal Avenue
Ann Arbor, MI 48109
(313) 763-9948

Handicapped User Consultant

State MI

Special Education Services
Michigan Department of Education
P.O. Box 30008
Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-0923

This division of Michigan's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services. Its primary goal is to ensure that all disabled persons, between birth and school graduation, are identified, evaluated and provided with appropriate programs and services to meet their educational needs.

State MI

State Tech. Institute & Rehabilitation Center
Alber Drive
Plainwell, MI 49080
(616) 664-4461

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as business application programmers.

State MI

Wayne County Intermediate School
Attention: Greg Turner
33500 Van Born Road
Wayne, MI 48184
(313) 467-1415

State MN

Multi Resource Center
1900 Chicago Ave. S.
Minneapolis, MN 55404
(612) 871-2402

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) provides training and placement for persons with a physical disability or sensory impairment as Business Computer Programmers.

State MN

Sister Kenny Institute - Vocational Services Dept.
800 East 28th St., at Chicago Ave.(zip 38101)
Minneapolis, MN 55407
(612) 332-7036

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State MN

Special Education Section
Department of Education
550 Cedar St. - Capitol Square Bldg.
St. Paul, MN 55101
(612) 296-4163

This division of Minnesota's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on services.

State MO

University of Missouri - Columbia
Access Office for Students with Disabilities
A048 Brady Commons
Columbia, MO 65211
(314) 882-4696

Office of Vice Chancellor - Coordinating Services for students with: mobility impairments, learning disabilities, visual impairments and hearing impairments; consultant resources.

State MO

Missouri Goodwill Industries
Peer Placement Program
4140 Forest Park Blvd.
St. Louis, MO 63108
(314) 371-6320

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs and services for the blind.

State MS

Bureau of Special Services
Department of Special Education
P.O. Box 771
Jackson, MS 39205
(601) 359-3498

This office of the State Department of Education administers special education programs.

State MT

Montana School for the Deaf and Blind
3911 Central Ave.
Great Falls, MT 59401
(406) 453-1401

Vision and hearing support services are offered.

State MT

Office of Public Instruction
State Capitol
Helena, MT 59620
(406) 444-4429

This division of Montana's Department of Education administers special education programs and provides information on specific services.

State NC

Goodwill Industries of Southern Piedmont
2122 Freedom Dr.
P.O. Box 668768
Charlotte, NC 28266
(704) 372-3434

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State NC

Division for Exceptional Children
Dept. of Public Instruction: Education Bldg.
116 West Edenton St.
Raleigh, NC 27603-1712
(919) 733-3921

This division of North Carolina's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State NC

Raleigh Vocational Center
3011 Fallstaff Rd.
Raleigh, NC 27601-1296
(919) 828-2325

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs, experimenting with and designing new techniques of rehabilitation, work adjustment, placement, therapeutic recreation and adult development.

State NC

Microcomputer Support Group
3535 South Wilmington St.- Suite 205
Raleigh, NC 27603
(919) 772-7513

Information, database, referral network, training/diagnostic/direct support; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, speech, mental.

State **ND**

Special Education
Department of Special Instruction
State Capitol
Bismarck, ND 58505
(701) 224-2277

This division of North Dakota's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State **NE**

Special Education Office
Nebraska Department of Education
301 Centennial Mall South - Box 94987
Lincoln, NE 68509
(402) 471-2471

This office of Nebraska's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services for children with disabilities.

State **NE**

UNL - Educational Center for Disabled Students
132 Administration Building
Lincoln, NE 68588-0401
(402) 472-3787

The ECDS provides services to students who have a broad range of both physical and learning disabilities. One aspect of these services is the practice of using computer technology to improve students' academic performance and attitudes toward success. A project is underway to provide information delivery using computers.

State **NJ**

Goodwill Industries of New Jersey
400 Worthington Ave.
Harrison, NJ 07029
(201) 481-2300

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State **NM**

Southern New Mexico Rehabilitation Center
D at East Eyman
Roswell, NM 88201
(505) 347-5491

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State NV

Special Education Department
400 West King St.
Carson City, NV 89710
(702) 885-3140

This division of Nevada's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State NY

Office for Education of Children with Handicaps
NY Department of Education
Room 1073 EBA
Albany, NY 12234
(518) 474-5548

This division of New York's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State NY

Human Resources Center
201 I.U. Willetts Rd. West
Albertson, NY 11507
(516) 747-5400

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State NY

BOCES Southern Westchester
Technology Assessment/Training Center
26 Legion Dr.
Elmsford, NY 10595
(914) 949-9331 (914) 592-7953

The Center provides advanced technology services to individuals with physical, visual, cognitive, hearing and language/learning disabilities. It provides technology assessment services which include access to microtechnology, impairment compensation, vocational/avocational needs and augmentative communication devices. BOCES functions as an information and demonstration center.

State NY

The Rehabilitation Institute
223 Jericho Turnpike
Mineola, NY 11501
(516) 741-2010

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State NY

United Cerebral Palsy
120 East 23rd St.
New York, NY 10010
(212) 979-9700

This IBM initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State NY

International Center for the Disabled
Gen. Clerical and Learning Center
340 East 24th St.
New York, NY 10010
(212) 679-0100

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State NY

Opportunities Industrialization Center
Skills Discovery Unit
50 Delafield St.
Poughkeepsie, NY 12601
(914) 454-6420

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State NY

Rochester Rehabilitation Center
1000 Elmwood Avenue
Rochester, NY 14620
(716) 232-4600

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State NY

Search for Change/QUIP
66 Fulton Street
White Plains, NY 10606
(914) 686-0550

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation training program (IBMRP) offers training in fields related to personal computer use.

State OH

Goodwill Industries
10600 Springfield Pike
Cincinnati, OH 45215
(513) 771-4800

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as data processing professionals.

State OH

Computer Programmer Training
Goodwill Rehabilitation Center
1331 Edgehill Rd.
Columbus, OH 43212
(614) 294-5181

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State OK

Special Education Section
Department of Education
2500 North Lincoln - Suite 4-11
Oklahoma City, OK 73105
(405) 521-3351

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State OR

Special Education Section
Oregon Department of Education
700 Pringle Parkway SE
Salem, OR 97301
(503) 378-3702

This division of Oregon's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State PA

Special Education - Department of Education
333 Market St. - 7th floor
Harrisburg, PA 17126
(717) 783-6913

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State PA

Computer Careers for Persons with Disabilities
Center for Information Resources
4025 Chestnut St. - 3rd floor
Philadelphia, PA 19104
(215) 898-8108

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State PA

Jewish Employment and Vocational Service
Orleans Vocational Center
1330 Rhawn Street
Philadelphia, PA 19111
(215) 728-4400

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State PA

Pennsylvania State University
353 Moore Bld.
Pennsylvania State University
University Park, PA 16801
(814) 863-1747

Software for reading and writing instruction with deaf, mentally retarded, learning impaired and multiply disabled children.

State RI

Sargent Rehabilitation Center
229 Waterman St.
Providence, RI 02906
(401) 751-3113

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State SC

Office of Programs for Handicapped
State Department of Education
100 Executive Center Dr.
Columbia, SC 29201
(803) 737-8710

This division of South Carolina's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State **SC**

South Carolina School for Deaf & Blind
Cedar Springs Station
Spartanburg, SC 29302
(803) 585-7711

Computer access. Training on computer aids and devices - Ohtuski Braille System with IBM PS/2 and Writing to Read program.

State **SC**

Commissioner - Vocational Rehabilitation
1410 Boston Ave.
P.O. Box 15
West Columbia, SC 29171
(803) 739-5303

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State **SD**

Section for Special Education
Division of Elementary and Secondary Schools
New State Office Building
Pierre, SD 57501
(605) 773-3678

This division of the State Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State **TX**

Division of Special Education Programs
Texas Education Agency
1701 North Congress
Austin, TX 78701
(512) 463-9414

This division of the Texas Department of Education provides technical assistance to the 350 special education programs within the state's 1100 school districts.

State **TX**

Vocational Rehabilitation Programs
El Centro Community College
Main at Lamar
Dallas, TX 75202
(214) 746-2413

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to train and place disabled persons in the field of office systems, word processing and computerized accounting and telecommunications.

State TX

International Association of Machinists
555 North Grants Lane
Fort Worth, TX 76108
(817) 246-2441

An employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State TX

Goodwill Industries of Fort Worth
P.O. Box 1408
Fort Worth, TX 76101-1408
(817) 332-7866

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State TX

Independent Living Research & Training Center
3400 Bissonnet - Suite 101
Houston, TX 77005
(713) 666-6244 713/666-0643TDD

Network, independent living, directory of centers, research, training, technical assistance; disabilities - vision, mobility, hearing, learning, speech, mental.

State UT

Salt Lake Skills Center
1040 West 700 South
Salt Lake City, UT 84104
(801) 328-5511

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a federally funded and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State UT

Utah Special Education Services Unit
250 East Fifth South
Salt Lake City, UT 84111
(801) 538-7702

This unit of Utah's Office of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State VA

The Learning Needs and Evaluation Center
The University of Virginia
B012 Brooks Hall
Charlottesville, VA 22903
(804) 924-3139 voice/TDD

This Center gives direct assistance to students and coordinates agency services for students with disabilities. It is open, at no cost, to all students and people from the University and the Charlottesville/Albermarle communities. The University library provides a variety of services and equipment in support of the research needs of disabled individuals.

State VA

Computer Programmer Training Project
Woodrow Wilson Rehabilitation Center
Fishersville, VA 22939
(703) 332-7227

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State VA

Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind
700 Shell Rd.
Hampton, VA 23661
(804) 247-2033

This school provides education and other services for persons with disabilities in vision and hearing.

State VA

Special Education Support Services
Department of Education
P.O. Box 60
Richmond, VA 23216
(804) 225-2065

This division of Virginia's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State VA

Virginia School for the Deaf and the Blind
P.O. Box 2069
Staunton, VA 2069
(703) 332-9000

State institution that offers specialized instructional programs for deaf and blind children. The school offers both residential and day student placement. There is no charge for attendance.

State VA

Virginia Beach Adult Services
3500 Virginia Beach Blvd. - Suite 310
Virginia Beach, VA 23452
(804) 486-6251

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities.

State VT

Special Education and Pupil Personnel Services
Department of Education
120 State St.
Montpelier, VT 05602
(802) 828-3141

This division of Vermont's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State VT

Lamoille City Mental Health Service
Developmental Disabilities Services
Washington Hwy RFD 3-Box 747
Morrisville, VT 05661
(802) 888-4914

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State VT

Project Transition III
Gilman Office Center - Bldg. 1
White River Junction, VT 05501
(802) 295-1705

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State WA

Special Education Section
Department of Public Instruction
FG-11 Old Capitol Building
Olympia, WA 98504
(206) 753-6733

This division of Washington's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State WA

Resource Center for the Handicapped
Project Entry
20150 45th Ave. NE
Seattle, WA 98155
(206) 362-2273

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State WI

Division for Handicapped Children & Pupil Services
Department of Public Instruction
P.O. Box 7841
Madison, WI 53707-7841
(608) 266-1649 608/267-2427TDD

This division of the State Department of Public Instruction provides a variety of services to families and school districts regarding special education programs, children with special health care needs, counseling, guidance and social work.

State WI

Goodwill Industries of Southeastern Wisconsin Inc.
6055 North 91st Street
Milwaukee, WI 53225
(414) 353-6400

This IBM-initiated rehabilitation program (IBMRP) helps establish a self-sustaining and locally operated project to select, train and place disabled persons as computer programmers.

State WI

Curative Rehabilitation Center
Vocational Adjustment Work Center Service
1000 North 92nd St.
Milwaukee, WI 53226
(414) 259-1414

A training and employment placement program for individuals with disabilities. Areas addressed include computer-related programs.

State WV

Office of Special Education
Department of Education
B-304 Building 6, Capitol Complex
Charleston, WV 25305
(304) 348-2696 (800) 642-8541

This division of the Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services.

State WV

West Virginia Schools for the Deaf and Blind
301 East Maine St.
Romney, WV 26757
(304) 822-3521

Vision and hearing services.

State WY

Special Programs Unit
Department of Education
Hathaway Bldg. - 2nd Floor
Cheyenne, WY 82002
(307) 777-7417

This division of Wyoming's Department of Education administers special education programs and has information on specific services in each state.

State MT

Montana Deaconess Medical Center
1101 26th Street South
Great Falls, MT 59405 USA
(406) 761-1200

Provides cognitive and vocational training and retraining. Combination Medical Center and Rehabilitation/Extended Care facility. Clients referred from all over the state of Montana. This Center has Personal Computers and IBM PS/2 Computers available for use by clients.

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